

FAILED TO PICK A WINNER

Talent at Benning Takes Another Hard Fall.

FLORALINE'S HURDLE RACE

At 20 to 1 He Easily Outraces the Even Money Favorite—Dan Rice Also a Source of Much Grief to the Wise—Boney Boy Downs Disappointing—The Regulars in Attendance.

The threatening weather had little effect on the regulars, though there was a perceptible falling off in the attendance of plain onlookers at the races at Benning yesterday. There were in all probability 1,200 persons present.

The five races of the program were run off without an apparent hitch, and when the last one was over the crowd went as it had come, in a moist quiet and orderly manner.

The talent had another off day—the most bewildering thus far during the meeting. Not one favorite showed in front. Considering that there were again eighteen bookmakers in business and that the betting was more active than on any previous day, the wise ones must have got a pretty hard fall.

The absence of little Danny Maher was lamented on all sides. It is probably safe to predict that the clever little jockey will be more careful of his conduct in future races here. His red-handed work on Compensation on Wednesday will not be repeated, and for the boy's sake and the pleasure of those who confide in him and admire him so much, it is to be hoped it will not, when he again gets to work.

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"I have noticed a statement from E. A. McDuffie in several papers in which he says that he does not consider my work in Philadelphia anything remarkable. He says that he has a trained crew of pacemakers capable of lowering my record at any time. If such is the case and McDuffie thinks this way, I will give him a chance to prove it. I will bet \$1,000 on the contest, which may be a best two in three with unlimited pace, the pacemakers to go all the way, or it may be a contest against time. I have seen a report that McDuffie is riding a chainless bicycle, and if so I would prefer that he use it. His cost against me, although I will not bar him from using a chain wheel."

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The Leading Temperance Paper, Sounds the Call to a New Crusade in the Following Article.

"ANOTHER HEAD ON THE HYDRA."

"It is time attention was drawn to a form of alcoholic traffic that seems to have been overlooked by those engaged in the crusade against the rum power. If, as is believed and taught, alcohol is most dangerous when it fights in ambush, if it is most to be dreaded when it finds its first entrance to the system in the pleasant sauces and dishes of the home, then the form of alcohol traffic in question is doubly dangerous, for it comes in the guise of medicine and attacks a system prepared by weakness to easily surrender to the assault. In many cases it is a case of the weaker being the stronger."

PATENT MEDICINES which are largely consumed throughout the country, by all classes of people, there is a percentage of alcohol which, put them on a level with beer, rum, and whisky as intoxicants. It is the smallness of the dose prescribed which prevents a prompt recognition of the intoxicating effects of these so-called medicines by those who use them.

"It is safe to affirm that they are MEDICINES IN NAME ONLY. Their chief value lies in their alcoholic effect as a stimulant. In fact, those who know, attribute the benefits ascribed to this class of medicines wholly to the stimulative effect of the alcohol they contain. They are used largely by persons not in the habit of drinking liquor, and the little dose taken three or four times a day is as stimulating to these people as his regular 'finger' of 'bitters' is to the regular householder."

WHAT CAN BE DONE? "What ought to be done at least is to compel every patent-medicine manufacturer to put on the wrapper of his bottle the quantity of alcohol it contains. That would be a first step. More than that, no paper truly interested in temperance reform should print the advertisement of any medicine which contains alcohol. It should be the duty of every temperance organization and branch in the country to look into this question, agitate it, and deal with the facts just as vigorously and honestly as other facts have been dealt with."

Appreciating the gravity of the issue raised by the strong statement of facts made in the foregoing article, we wish to call general attention to the fact that Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription contain NO ALCOHOL, NO WHISKY, NO INDIAN TOBACCO, OR ANY OTHER DRUGS. These medicines are equally free from opium and other narcotics.

They are in the strictest meaning of the words, temperance medicines. Of no other medicine can it be especially affirmed, as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, that it contains neither alcohol nor opium or other drugs. It is a purely natural remedy, and its effects are equally free from opium and other narcotics.

While the negative features of Dr. Pierce's medicines may only interest some of the readers of this article, the positive features of these medicines must be of interest to every one. The great value of "Golden Medical Discovery" in the cure of diseased or deranged conditions of the stomach and digestive and nutritive organs is testified to by thousands of those who have found health and healing in this great remedy. The "Discovery" increases the action of the blood making glands, and by bringing the blood into the system, it cures the stomach and digestive and nutritive organs, it enables a full and pure supply of blood to be sent to every part of the body.

WOMEN KNOW ITS WORTH. Women who are always appreciative of the benefits following the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. Its wonderful cures of irregularities, inflammations, ulcerations, and female troubles, have caused women to send it to their friends. It is entitled to wear the "blue ribbon" of merit as well as the blue ribbon of temperance.

THE BIBLE OF THE BODY. Perhaps no greater gift was ever offered to the human race than the Medical Adviser. It contains 198 pages and has over 700 illustrations, and is the life-work of its author, Dr. R. V. Pierce, chief consulting physician to the Knickerbocker Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y. This book has been well called "The Bible of the Body." It is to the body what the Bible is to the soul. A lamp unto the feet and a light unto the way. It deals with the great questions of physical life so simply that all may understand, and so purely that it is essentially the most scientific and healthful remedy. The book is published in two forms, one bound in paper covers and the other in strong cloth binding. Send 21 one-cent stamps for the paper edition to cover expense of mailing, and for the cloth-bound edition, Address Book Department, World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

WITHDRAWALS FROM LEAGUE. Special Meeting Tonight to Elect Another Club. S. Porter House, president of the District National Basketball League, was notified yesterday by Capt. E. S. Byrnes of the withdrawal of the Knickerbocker Club from the league. The league is now reduced to 10 clubs. The league is now reduced to 10 clubs. The league is now reduced to 10 clubs.

GANS VERSUS JANNEY. Joe Gans, a candidate for the lightweight championship of the world, will box three scientific rounds at the Lyceum Theater tonight with Jim Janney. This was the first appearance in the Capital City since he has been under the management of Al Herford, who has Janney in line for honors in the welterweight class, no one barred.

FREE Medical Treatment FOR Weak Men Who are Willing to Pay When Convinced of Cure. A scientific combined medical and mechanical cure has been discovered for "Weakness of Men." The proprietors announce that they will send it on trial—remedies and appliances—without advance payment to any honest man. If not cured, it is claimed—no trial—pay nothing. This combined treatment cures quickly, thoroughly, and forever all effects of early evil habits, later excesses, overwork, worry, etc. It restores health, strength, vitality, sustaining powers, and restores the undeveloped portions of body to natural dimensions and functions. Any man writing for a free trial will receive description and references in a plain sealed envelope. Professional confidence. No O. D. No reputation backs this offer. Address: Erial Medical Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

AWAY TO THE WEST

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AN INCIDENT OF THE WAR

Returning From the Cuban Coast Blockade They Assume Possession of the Town—They Drink and Eat and Fight and Stir Up a Big Commotion—He Fought for His Country

The jacks had all come ashore and the town was full of them. They owned it and they wanted everybody to know it. Nothing could cope with them, not even the few soldiers up at the barracks, if it came to an up-and-up fight. They had been down on the south coast of Cuba doing blockade duty for twenty-nine days without a bit of grog or a bottle of beer, and now, with souls and bodies free to do as their own consciences determined, they were drinking from the cup of pleasure in the worsted fashion of men with lusty limbs and passions lifted from beneath the restraining influence of a warship's discipline, says the New York Sun.

Key West, for this is a story of that dreary coral reef, is not the most inviting place in the world for a man to have his fling. Its principal inducement to wander from the straight and narrow path is the rumshop, and amidst the glare of the gaslight through many swinging doors were being heartily accepted. Men were drinking in all the saloons along the waterfront and up the main thoroughfare of the town—Duval Street. It was scarcely 9 o'clock, and yet wandering through the streets everywhere were drunken jacks laughing and shouting in pure exuberance of spirits. The crowd of guests who nightly sat upon the broad veranda of the principal hotel were watching the exhibition with great interest, for they knew the man-o'-war men enough to suspect a rousing time before the night was over.

"Bet you," said one man to another, "that we'll have a fight before long."

"Sure thing," replied his companion. "There's trouble brewing."

Two minutes later there came the sound of running feet down the block toward the waterfront. A jack came flying up the street. Behind him came two other sailors.

"There he goes, Jim!" one of the jacks shouted to the other. "Catch him, and we'll kill him!"

The man who was running stopped in front of the hotel. In his right hand he carried a beer bottle. He prepared to defend himself, and when the forward one of his pursuers came within his reach he smashed at him viciously with the bottle. His intended victim dodged and before another blow could be struck the other pursuer sprang on the man with the bottle, threw him down upon the sidewalk, and choked him into insensibility before he could get up.

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